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What Does Cameron's Election Mean?

It means single statehood for Arizona before March 3 next.

It means the most liberal enabling acts which has been granted any Territory since the Centennial year.

It means that Arizona at the Congress which meets in December, 1909, will be represented by two senators and one representative, clothed with all the privileges of the floor and committees and in a position to make Arizona's wonderful resources known to the world as they have never yet been known.

It means that Arizona will be represented by a man who will devote all of his time and his splendid energies to looking after the mining, stock and agricultural interests of the new State. It means Arizona will be in line with progress and in a position to command the most liberal appropriations for state and federal public works.

It means that the attention of legitimate capital will be drawn towards Arizona for investment.

It means that many mines now idle will be developed, giving employment to thousands of men now idle, and hastening the return of flush times.

It means the enhancement in value of every piece of realty in Arizona.

It means federal appropriations for public buildings in Bisbee, Globe, Prescott, Tucson and other cities which have never received one farthing during the twenty-two years of Mark Smith's residence in Washington and Kentucky.

It means that real work will try to to accomplish what hot air has failed to do.

It means that every farmer and stock raiser in Arizona will have a representative in Washington who will see to it that they are kept closely in touch with the all important movements of the agricultural department; that they are kept well informed of all the valuable data in reference to sheep, cattle and crops; that they will receive with faithful regularity their allotment of seeds and plants from the heads of the various subdepartments and that the representative will visit them at least once during his term and learn of their desires respecting legislation in Washington.

It means that a worker and not a talker will be in Washington to look after the vastly important arid land reclamation and the conservation of Arizona's natural resources.

These are the things that are in store for Arizona if her people are only wise enough to grasp the truth and do their duty on election day.

J. C. Bradbury For Recorder.

One of the "old-timers" in the Territory, and a candidate on the Republican ticket, is J. C. Bradbury, candidate for the office of Recorder, subject to the will of the people on next Tuesday.

Mr. Bradbury came to Arizona some twenty-two years ago, and for the past seventeen years has been a resident of Yavapai county, for which he has accomplished much good by his work as a prospector and exploiter of the county's great resources.

Way back in his younger days, Mr. Bradbury used to earn his living by teaching school, the first money ever earned by him being by this method. He is recognized as a mathematician of no mean ability, and is a clerical man of high order. These qualifications count for a great deal in the Recorder's office, and they account for the high efficiency of that office for the past two years.

Mr. Bradbury was one of the men who opened the Zero mine ten miles south of this city, from which \$45,000 in silver was extracted. He also promoted the New Jersey Mining Company, which spent over \$20,000 in this county in development work. He was the superintendent of the company, and such was the confidence of those associated with him in the enterprise that the company's check book was always at his personal disposal.

Mr. Bradbury and his partner, through their enterprises, have succeeded in bringing into this county some \$145,000, to develop its resources.

He was the first president of the Tiger Miners' Union, and has always employed Union labor. By his conservative methods he has always succeeded in pleasing not only his employers, but his employees as well. He is a man who does himself and others full justice.

Mr. Bradbury's conduct of the Recorder's office has been marked by ability, accuracy and uniform courtesy to the public, and if ever there was an official who DESERVED re-election, he is that man. There have been no drones in the office, no parasites on the public purse. Each man has performed his work so faithfully and efficiently that it is an ordinary circumstance for a man to send in a location notice or document to be recorded, and the original would be returned to the owner in a few days. During the previous administration it required from two weeks to two months to get any instrument recorded.

What Mr. Bradbury has accomplished in the office will be found in another column in a review of the accomplishments of the administration. Voters are urgently invited to read it.

A Matter of Business.

County government is business. When the people elect a man to an office, it is a hiring of a fellow to do a two-years job. If the people are to be wise business men, they will hire the man that will do them the most good for the money they pay out. County offices are not made to make men rich, nor are they created for men to get into and then do nothing but draw their salary. The salaries in Yavapai county are high now—too high in some cases for the work required—and any man who gets one can afford to do it well, and not spend his office hours in attending to baseball games. Those who will not do it well should be remembered and not hired again, for all of life is the weeding out of the dishonest, the incompetent and the trifling. Let the people of this county hire the very best public servants possible this election, no matter what his race or his politics. Get good men for the places.

The Republican county ticket stands squarely on its own merits for integrity and ability, and therefore gives satisfaction to the discriminating voter.

Read the County Reports.

Whenever a county officer places before the public a statement of expenditures, it is the duty of every citizen to read it over and appreciate what it means. It is more than a duty. It is a double duty—one to himself and the other to the men who have been serving him. It is a duty he performs willingly when it has to do with a private enterprise in which he is interested. It is none the less a duty and a necessity when the business report of the county is laid forth to his view.

In other columns of the Journal-Miner there is printed the reports of the offices of the County Recorder, Assessor and Supervisors. These are statements made directly for the citizens, the stockholders of the county. We will reserve criticism of these reports. We will let each stand for what it says to the citizens of Yavapai county. But we do urge that every citizen read them over carefully and determine just what they mean to him; whether these office-holders have managed economically and advantageously the portion of our business affairs that has been entrusted to them. It is to your pecuniary interest to look these reports over with the same care you would examine a rendered account from your mine, your ranch, your store or your house.

When when you have examined these rendered accounts follow them as you would follow such reports in your other business affairs. If these men have rendered to you good service, retain them in the capacity in which they have done well. In your business you would do this. You would not discharge a faithful employee who has made money for you. You would not rid yourself of him for a newcomer of whose ability for the service you know nothing. Therefore if these county officers have performed your service well retain them—and you know how—at the polls next Tuesday.

Shall The Ring Rule?

For over twelve years the "ring" that controls the Democratic party of Yavapai county was master of county affairs and held its grip on the courthouse. During that period, there was a defalcation of a treasurer, a supervisor was indicted for accepting a bribe, a county recorder was found short in his accounts, and there were midnight sessions of supervisors at which tricks were turned that cost the county many thousands of dollars.

Shall the ring rule, or rather shall it be restored to power? That is the

question that now confronts the honest citizens and taxpayers of Yavapai county.

Do you want to return to the conditions that prevailed six years ago?

Do you want to entrust your county affairs to men that were nominated by a convention that was controlled by the "ring"?

It was not until Barney Smith, a Republican, became a member of the Board four years ago, that the tax rate was reduced. Barney Smith is a man of strong personal force and fights, even against odds, for what he believes to be right and equitable. It was due to his insistence that assessments were raised over the county, and although the Democratic majority turned him down on his proposed increase of the assessment of the United Verde, yet he was reluctantly given his way on other items on the assessment roll. As a result the tax rate was cut, and then Geo. P. Harrington and "Uncle Billy" Wingfield were elected to serve as the associates of Barney Smith. During the first term of their office, the board, acting in harmony and with an eye solely to the public welfare, succeeded in cutting the tax rate from \$1 to \$2.50. Pursuing this same policy, this same economical and wise administration, the rate was reduced this year to \$2.30 per \$100.

Are not these the kind of men you want in the courthouse? The Republican party pledged that they would do exactly what they have accomplished, and it stands behind the present nominees for supervisors—Barney Smith, who is up for re-election, and A. S. Haskell, of the Verde Valley, who many years ago served in the same capacity and who retired with a record that was a credit to himself and whose official work was a benefit to the taxpayers.

Does anyone make an accusation of dishonesty against either of these men? Can anyone point to a single act of the present board that has not been solely for the public weal?

Then again, there is the recorder's office which has been ably filled by Charley Bradbury. He has run the office for less money than any of his predecessors, and the great register which he has just turned out is intelligently compiled, systematically arranged and is not the hodge-podge that it was two years ago when some names were repeated four or five times.

When for years past has there been a more fearless and vigorous district attorney than Bob Morrison? He brought to the bar of justice the high and the low, and his record is a credit to the Republican party. His associate was J. C. Forest, the present nominee, and to him belongs a large share of this credit.

The candidates on the Republican ticket are not job-chasers. In nearly every instance they are men who consented to run only after being repeatedly importuned to do so by their fellow citizens of both parties.

Which would you rather trust—this class of men, or those who have been placed before the people, seeking their sacred suffrage, by a convention that is universally admitted to have been controlled by a "ring." Not all of the delegates, it is true, were thus dominated, but the majority were thus influenced.

Think it over! Judge by the record of the Republicans who are now in office, and as an honest citizen, divest yourself of partisan bias, and vote for the best men!

MURDER MANIA SEIZING PHOENIX CAUSES THREE SHOOTINGS IN A WEEK

By Associated Press.

PHOENIX, Oct. 27. — Homicide seems to have infected the air of this community. Following the death of Tom Clark as a consequence of Dick Fletcher's bullet, Jesse Pierce Sunday night shot and killed Ossian M. Button at the home of Button's estranged wife, and E. B. Knox the following morning during a fit of madness fatally wounded his wife and attempted suicide, though not with much success.

Driven insane by grief and ill health, possessed of the hallucination that he was in danger of electrocution, Knox, formerly a cashier of the Phoenix National Bank and well known here, fatally shot his bride of seven months, in the back yard of L. E. Hewins, at 1303 East Washington street, about 7:45 Monday morning, and tried to take his own life by slashing his wrist with a pocket knife.

At the hospital Mrs. Knox's wound was examined by Mrs. Palmer, Martin and Plath. It was found that a .44 caliber bullet had entered the left breast, an inch below the heart, glanced downward, and came out just below the ribs. One lung, the diaphragm and probably the stomach had been pierced and the woman was bleeding internally.

Phoenix was startled by the second killing within a week, when Ossian M. Button was shot and killed by Jesse Pierce of Mesa, at the home of Mrs. Button on Jefferson street, near Ninth street. Button lived but a short time after and was never able to speak after he was shot. When found, his body lay crossways in the room near a door, and but little blood had oozed from the four wounds inflicted. E. J. Spaulding, who lives next door, was

the first at the scene. He went to the house as soon as he heard the shot and met Pierce coming out of the front door with a .38 caliber revolver in his hand, with which the shooting had been done. Pierce was a white as a sheet as so weak from the excitement and the realization of the terrible tragedy that he had to lean on Spaulding for support. When asked what he had done, Pierce told of the tragedy, as then Spaulding took the gun. Constable Murphy was only a couple of blocks away, and was soon on the scene and arrested Pierce. He was taken to the county jail and placed in the woman's cell, which was also occupied by Dick Fletcher.

Mrs. Button's story is to the effect that she and her husband had been married several years and have two children, aged two and four years, but had been separated for several months.

As a result of a verdict rendered by the coroner's jury this morning about 11 o'clock, before Justice Johnston, Dick Fletcher is held without bail for the killing of Tom Clark, to answer at the preliminary examination which will probably take place tomorrow morning.

The verdict was a surprise to those who thought that Fletcher would be held blameless. Tom Clark died Sunday morning about 3 o'clock at St. Joseph's hospital. Fletcher was arrested soon afterward by Deputy Sheriff Adams and placed in the woman's cell in the county jail. Fletcher was asleep when found by the officer.

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